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BIG ROAD MEETING

Good Roads Boosters Met Monday
Committees Appointed
Quick Work

The county court room was packed Monday with business men from the country and town, eager to do what could be done to further the project of making a permanent good road on the highway between Brunswick and this city.

The road just west of this city is in a deplorable condition and is so most of the time as to the part of it immediately west of the Mussel Fork creek. At times it is impassable, and that it must be put in good repair is a matter of much interest to the city as well as those living west of here, there is not the slightest doubt. We join with all others in urging the limit of effort to put thru that which several of our enterprising citizens have begun. Below we give the proceedings of the meeting briefly.

County Seat Highway Association of Chariton County, Missouri, met in session pursuant to the call of W. G. Agee, mayor of Keytesville.

Upon motion, W. G. Agee was elected chairman and W. W. White secretary.

A vote of thanks was extended to the members of the County Court for their donation.

Secretary ordered to prepare forms for the subscription lists. The sum of \$4000.00 voted to be raised to grade the County Seat Highway road between Keytesville and Brunswick, that part just west of Keytesville, known as the Mussel Fork Bottom.

The Farmers Bank of Chariton County and Bank of Keytesville selected as depositaries for the funds as collected, said deposits to be made with each bank in proportion to the amounts subscribed by them.

Upon motion, the chairman selected the following committees to solicit funds for the grading of said road, viz:

For the city of Keytesville: A. F. Arrington and E. W. Herring.

For Keytesville Township: W. D. Richards, E. A. Carter and Wm. Clavin.

For the Keytesville Township Board: E. A. Carter and H. C. Miller.

For the Keytesville Council: Chas. Levy and Charles Parker.

For Bowling Green Township: John Venable and A. G. Friesz.

For the County Seat Highway Board: C. C. Parks and Jno. D. Taylor.

It was ordered that all subscriptions be paid on or before March 15th, 1916.

Association adjourned to meet again at the Court house on Monday, March 6th, 1916.

Attest: W. W. White, secretary.
W. G. Agee, chairman.

School Election Deferred

County Supt. Public Schools Carlstead went to Sumner Tuesday to look into the matter of calling an election looking to the consolidation of schools at Sumner and establishing a high school at that point.

The conditions were such that the superintendent thought best to delay the time for the election to some distant future date and that action was taken.

The board of education of the Sumner public schools concurred in the action taken by Mr. Carlstead.

Marriage Licenses

Wm. Burgold Jr. to Carolina Kottman; John Lentz to Clara Graves; Arch Stanley to Bertha Wright; Lawrence Fox to Bertie Cupp.

Washington Birthday Party

Prof. Fred R. Cowles entertained a number of his select friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Lamkin Tuesday evening.

The interior of the handsome home was decorated in appropriate colors, and everything bore the mark of the great day.

Games of many kinds were played, social and literary features, a fine lunch, many cut flowers as souvenirs and a general good time was provided by the popular host.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lamkin, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Rucker, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Parks, Mrs. B. Hughes and Mrs. L. J. Dye, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. D. Taylor, Misses Jane Anderson, Myrtle Miller, Jo Martin, Anna Parks Rucker, Hanna Groves, Carrie Wheeler, Leannah Minter, Dr. Shopshire, Wallace Applegate and Frank Hill.

The event was recherche from all stand points, and the lunch was secured in Kansas City and sent here in fireless cookers. The flowers were lovely and the entire number present voted Prof. Cowles a prince of entertainers.

To Correct Error

Last week we had it that L. B. Thrash was tried for violation of the local option law; and also the Salisbury papers had the same mistake for the same cause, that is, getting initials mixed.

L. B. is guiltless of the charge and always has been and has never been accused of letting anything good go except to his many friends as a set "em up. He says he is like many others, a buyer, not a seller. We gladly make the correction.

Colored Girl Dead

Hazel R. Hurt daughter of John S. Hurt, colored who lives 2 miles east of town, died Monday morning of tuberculosis aged 22 years and five days. Funeral at the colored Baptist church Wednesday, Rev. Burton preaching the funeral.

The remains were buried in the city cemetery in the presence of a large number of the relatives and friends of the family.

Study the Game Laws

County Clerk White has a number of the Federal Game Law Books and will gladly furnish a copy to any one who will call for it or send it to any one at a distance who will make requisition for it.

There are many interesting features concerning the government requirements about game, and it would be well for every one with a zulu to study the restrictions and save annoyance if not prosecution.

Mrs. DeArmond Married

Mrs. Alice DeArmond, widow of one among the most prominent congressmen ever from this state to Washington, was married to a stationary engine engineer at San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 12.

Mrs. DeArmond met the fellow in her home town of Butler, Mo. and only about three months ago while he was employed in a small capacity. His name is Allen and he was formerly a waiter.

A Party

Miss Marie Closson entertained about eight of her friends at a party at the home of her parents Saturday evening. Various games were played. Lunch was served at a late hour.

George Moorman, colored, came in from St. Louis Tuesday for a visit to his mother and other relatives. It is the first time he has been here since October.

LITERARY AND ATHLETIC

Big Track and Literary Program
Brunswick, April 14.
School Event.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chariton County Literary and Athletic Association in Keytesville on Saturday, February 11th, the following things were discussed and settled by vote of the Committee:

The event shall take place on Friday, April 14. The afternoon shall be occupied by the athletic and field events. The night shall be consumed by the literary exercises.

The track and field events shall be as follows:

50 yard dash
100 yard dash
220 yard dash
440 yard run
880 yard run
120 yard high hurdles
220 yard low hurdles
One half mile relay, for men.

FOR THE GIRLS

40 yard dash
Basket ball throw for distance
Basket ball toss for goals. (Just as in the game.)

FIELD EVENTS

Standing broad jump
Running broad jump
Running high jump
Pole vault
Shot put (12 pounds)
Discus (regulation weight)
Javelin hurl.

A competent man from one of the state institutions shall be engaged by the secretary to perform in the capacity of judge.

THE LITERARY FEATURE

This shall consist of an essay upon one of the following subjects. I shall expect your choice by Wednesday morning.

Preparedness (either political or educational)

The Age of Modern Woman
The Value of an Education
The Work of a Civic Improvement League.

Check your choice and send immediately to the secretary so that he may notify all the contestants of the subject. The essay must consist of at least 500 words, but not to exceed 1000.

They must be written with ink and submitted to the teachers of the high school in which they were written, who shall eliminate all but the two best. These shall be typewritten and sent to the secretary not later than April 1st, that he may send them to a competent set of educators to be judged and returned.

An original oration upon any subject without limit of time and a declamation with the same conditions are solicited. Each school shall furnish but one speaker in either class. This you can determine by elimination.

A debate upon the subject of—Resolved that a literacy test should be applied to all foreigners before they can become citizens of the United States. Please consider furnishing a team of two members upon this question. You may determine by preliminaries which teams will meet for the final debate.

The best essay shall be read by the writer on the night of the contest.

Medals for these events shall be furnished by the town at which the event is held. You who have not voted please cast your vote for the town by return mail.

Please strike from your constitution the word consecutive.

Send your entries at your earliest convenience; even if you have already sent a tentative set please send another in plenty of

time for the secretary to make up the program.

Outside men, who rank highly as educators, judge all the literary events.

Your name must not be placed upon the essay that you send the secretary, but a serial number will be placed upon it either by him or he will assign you a number.

Write W. W. Gibbany, secretary, for further information.

High School Notes

Miss Beulah Bennett and Sudie Hershey and Chas. E. Chapman, graduates of this school, were visitors Tuesday afternoon.

Prof. Cowles tendered a select few of his friends a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lamkin Tuesday evening.

A number of the high school pupils dined at the Odd Fellows hall Tuesday and enjoyed the eatin' very much.

The basement of the building has been cleared and the teachers and children make it a rendezvous during recesses. It is a great scheme.

The high school expects to have entry in every event in the county track meet and elocutionary contest to be held at Brunswick in April.

Supt. Gibbany has completed the program for the county track meet and literary event at Brunswick in April, and the numbers are all good. The committee is to be congratulated on a fine program.

Track practice has been begun. It will be light for a time, then we will go to it in earnest. The track is not yet what it should be, but work is done on it as conditions will permit.

Virgil Williams has returned to finish out the term, and every one is glad of it.

Miss Ruth Gilbert is one of the star performers in the home talent play at the American theatre next Tuesday night.

Old Keytesvillian Dead

Mrs. James O'Bryan went to Gorin last week to be present at the funeral of her brother Sam Brown who died rather suddenly Thursday night. She returned Sunday.

Sam Brown was born in old Virginia and with his mother, brother and sister came to this county in 1873. His mother subsequently married Joel Elam. Sam and his sister, Mrs. O'Bryan attended school here at the old school house near the court house, and after he reached young manhood, he became a miller and followed that trade until his death at the age of 59. His brother Ira lives in Virginia.

Sam Brown's widow and three married children, his brother Ira and sister Mrs. O'Bryan survive him.

Mrs. Arch Kenevan

Died at her home near Dalton Monday afternoon.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Colson and had been married nearly a year only. The funeral was held at Asbury Chapel Wednesday.

No Ice Plant

Mr. C. D. Turner concluded to abandon his intention of putting up an artificial ice plant here this season.

There was a big supply of natural ice collected and the quantity is better than usual, and this together with the lateness of the start to build the plant induced Mr. Turner to give over the enterprise.

A hen stepping thru the mud and a girl walking in high-heels reminds one of the other.

REPUBLICAN CONVENT'N

The Faithful Met and Acted.
Naughty Resolutions.
T. R. Nix.

Pursuant to call and the election by townships of delegates to the county convention, the faithful of this county met at the court house Tuesday and, for a wonder, were harmonious so far as outward indications went. That many of them were not in line with portions of the resolutions, there is not the slightest doubt.

Chairman J. E. Lewis of the county committee called the meeting to order and was made temporary chairman of the convention. R. W. Wesner of Dalton was temporary secretary. The temporary officers were made permanent officers of the convention by unanimous vote.

After reading roll of townships represented, the chairman appointed the following committees:

Resolutions: A. G. Friesz, Capt. L. Benecke, C. W. Northcott, L. E. Shane, B. F. McCurry.

Credentials: Ed Grotjan, A. Friesz, C. W. Northcott, D. J. Holman, Capt. Webster Nance.

Delegates: R. Wesner, F. C. Sasse, C. W. Northcott, Geo. Dean and W. R. Sweeney.

Reports of credentials and resolution committees were read, adopted and the committee to select delegates reported the following which was also adopted by the convention:

Delegates to Congressional Convention: C. W. Northcott, B. F. McCurry, U. A. House, F. H. Meyer, D. J. Holman, F. C. Sasse. Alternates: S. S. Kelso, Frank Wannamaker, Capt. Webster Nance, Chas. Meyer, Ed Grotjan, W. F. Evans, Lewis Miller.

State convention: Capt. L. Benecke, W. R. Sweeney, B. F. McCurry, R. Wesner, F. C. Sasse, J. E. Lewis, A. L. Friesz. Alternates: Wm. Heiman, Geo. Cunningham, Ben Brewer, F. Bartholomew, Frank Northcott, Rubey Benecke, B. B. Chapman.

A resolution authorizing the delegates present at either of the conventions to cast the entire vote of the delegation was carried. The resolutions submitted by the committee on resolutions are as follows:

"We affirm our allegiance to the principles of the national republican party. We believe that the lessons given by the mismanagement of domestic and international affairs by the democrats has cured nine-tenths of those republicans whose votes indirectly aided our enemies to secure power once more, and as a result has brought them back to our ranks and we welcome them to their old home."

"We denounce the cowardly submission to violation of international laws constantly committed by Great Britain by restricting and robbing our mails and interfering with our commerce with neutral nations. We point to the action of Sweden as a worthy precept for our national administration to follow."

"That 'too proud to fight' may have its apologists, yet, to have American citizens and American mail taken off our neutral vessels while in mid-ocean and imprison the citizen and detain or destroy the mail, deserves at least, more than a proforma protest. We charge the president with partiality or neglect of duty in connection with these matters."

"We favor a decided increase of our navy and an increase of trained army officers as a nucleus of a voluntary army if required."

"We also favor a genuine neu-

trality during the present war. We endorse the economic and business administration of Herbert S. Hadley as governor of the state of Missouri, and instruct the Chariton county delegation to the state convention to vote for him and Hon. J. L. Babler, state chairman, and Hon. Richard Barthold and Major William Warner for delegates at large to the national republican convention at Chicago."

A few short addresses were made, after which the convention adjourned.

Salisbury Scribbles

Miss Mariah Endicott, who had made her home with the Parks family since 1863, died at a sanitarium in St. Joe on February 17. She was a daughter of the late Geo. Endicott and a splendid woman. Rev. Rice, who gave us this item, preached her funeral.

Guy Gooch of Clay Center, Kas., is moving to the Erbland farm north of town, which he leased for this year. We welcome him to Mo., and Chariton county.

Mrs. Dismukes and daughter, who were burned, while using gasoline, as mentioned last week, are on the road to recovery, but their burns are still very painful.

Sam M. Johnson has purchased a part of the Rock farm near Forest Green for \$100 per acre.

Miss Mary Bean has been taken to the Baptist Sanitarium at St. Louis for treatment. Her mother went with her.

Mrs. Mary Henderson is reported very ill of pneumonia at the home of Bert Prescott.

Miss Hazel Stevenson of Brookfield has resumed her position as head milliner at the Big Store.

Geo. W. Woodson returned from Paris, Mo., Wednesday morning where he had been to close up a business.

Tom Richardson will soon be ready to open up his new store on Broadway, the repairs on the building being about completed.

Elmer Sheaves and Miss Mary Peterson were married here Tuesday evening. These are fine people and we tender congratulations.

Thursday noon the whistle blew, a fire was on, the people knew, so all ran to the east, upon the flames their eyes to feast, for on the house of Mrs. Boes a tiny flame at once arose, showing shingles were afire, across the street from Baptist spire. "Where's Barton Philpott," some one asked, as to the fire he quickly sped, "he's in the store" the friend replied, as they hurried on, side by side. Anon the reel and hose came on, but the fire was out, the people gone, so Barton heavy and full of tears, missed his second fire in twenty years.

Maggie Ellington, a noted colored cook, died at her home in the south part of town Wednesday and was buried on Thursday. She was a hard working woman, and had many friends among white and black.

I. H. McKittrick and family late of Laclede, Mo., have moved in and occupy the Parks property on South Broadway.

Contest at Christian Sunday school, booming and school growing. Let the good work go on.

Geo. Vonderahe is carrying his arm in a sling, the result of a hard fall on the frozen ground, his elbow being badly bruised.

On Wednesday J. D. Dunn, the real estate man, sold the

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